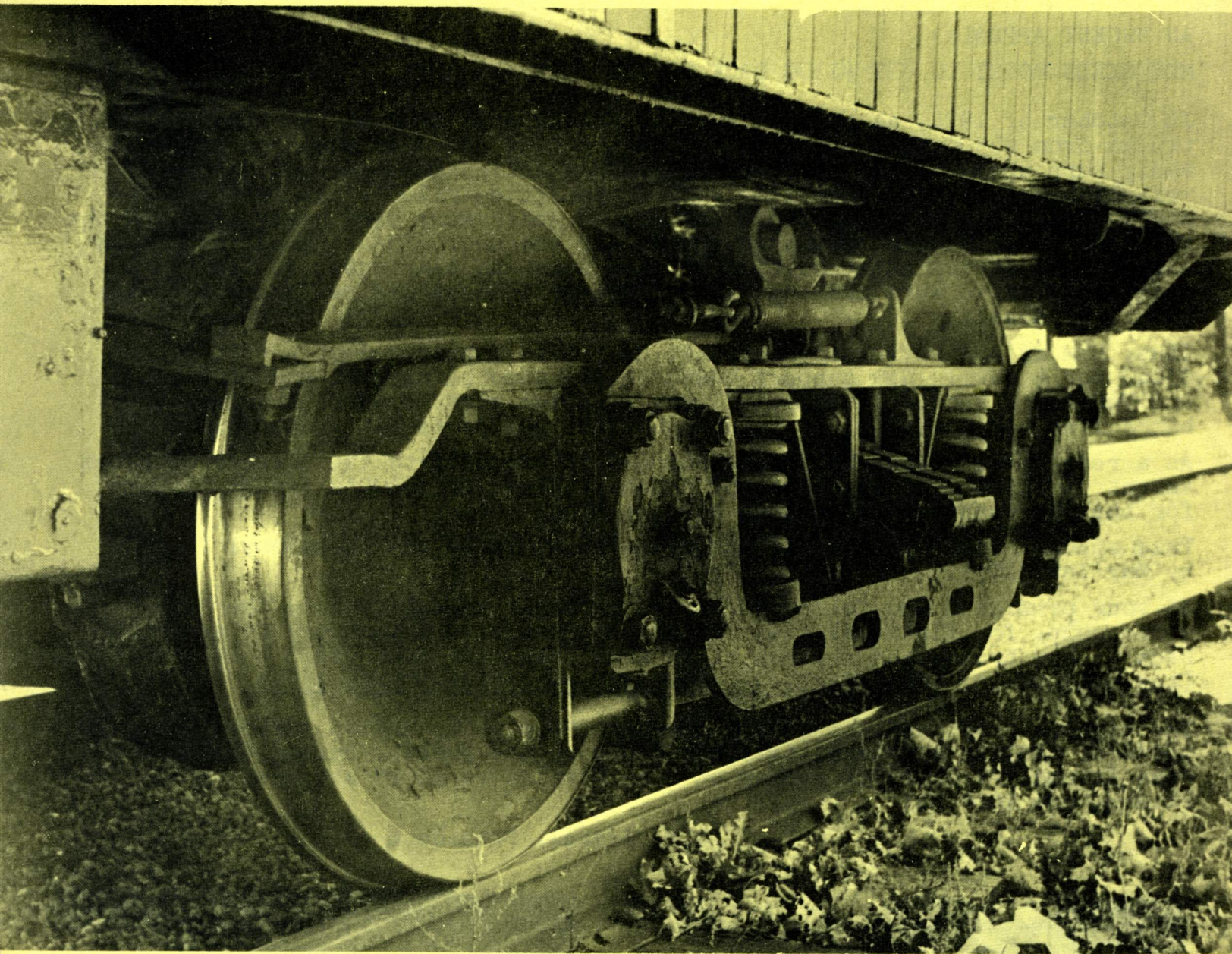


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AN URGENT APPEAL:

MTM NEEDS MONEY TO GET #1300 BACK ON THE TRACK IN '75!

In October of 1974, as part of our car maintenance program, we removed the trucks from #1300 and sent them to the Soo Line Shoreham Shops to have the badly worn wheels replaced, Brake rigging repaired and traction motors refurbished. When the Soo line people dismantled #1300's trucks they sadly informed us that the bull and pinion gears were very badly worn and the traction motor support bearings broken and cracked. The accompanying photos clearly illustrate the condition of gear sets and bearings. At first, valiant attempts were made by General Electric to secure replacement parts; but to no avail.

Thus, MTM is now having entirely new gear sets fabricated at a cost of \$3440 for 4 sets! New support bearings are also being cast and machined @ \$1760 for 8 sets. In addition, the traction motor support housings are being line bored (\$1200) to insure that the new parts fit properly.

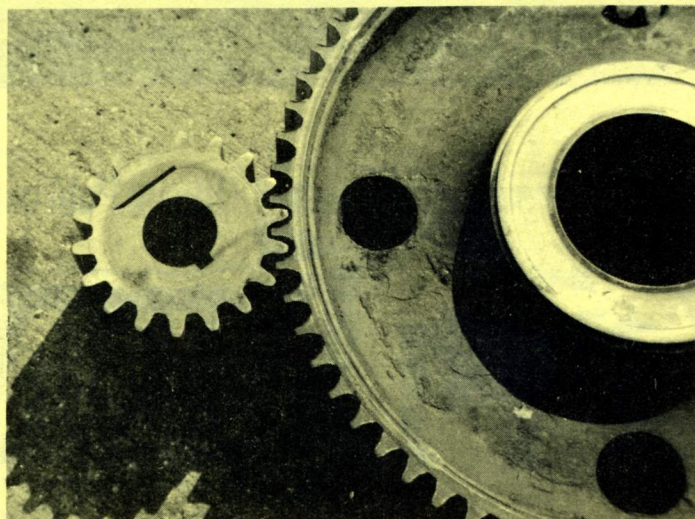
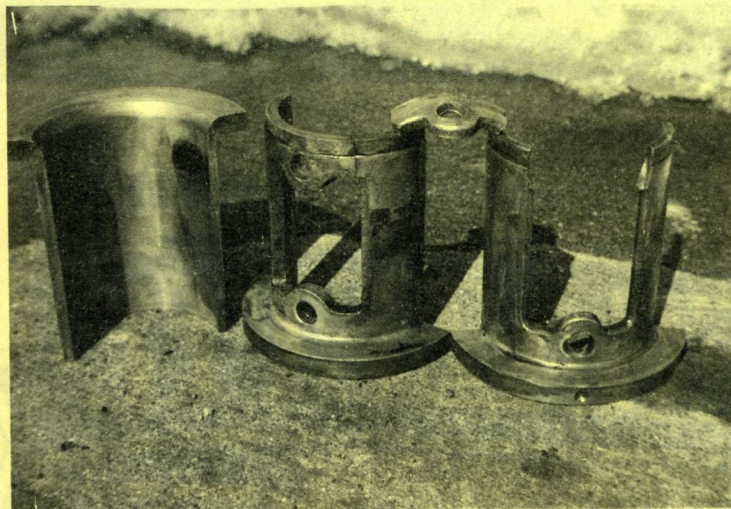
As a result, we desperately need \$6500 - in addition to the already budgeted amount of \$4500 - to complete the rehabilitation of #1300's trucks in time for the '75 opening of the Como Harriet Line.

This special issue is part of our campaign to raise the additional funds by May 1st, 1975.

As your president and fellow worker, I strongly appeal to you, the MTM membership, for financial aid. We simply must have this money to get #1300 back on her trucks and pay the bills when they come due. Send your contribution (tax deductible) to; Trolley---Box 1300---Hopkins, Minn. 55343.

The time is short and the need is great! Help us to enlist support for this project. Enlist a friend, tell our story to the public, spread the word--- "the friendly trolley of summer at Lake Harriet is sick" and needs help! Please---do it today!

G.K. Isaacs, President





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